**FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS** 

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO

Section 3700, Oak Mortality Disease Control

Title 3, California Code of Regulations

Update of Initial Statement of Reasons/Policy Statement Overview

The initial statement of reasons/policy statement overview is still valid.

Summary of and Response to Objections or Comments Regarding the Regulations

No public hearing was held or requested. The summary of and response to each objection

or comment received during the written comment period are as follows:

No public hearing was held or requested and no written comments were received during

the public comment period.

Mandate on Local Agencies and School Districts

The Department of Food and Agriculture has determined that Section 3700 does not

impose a new mandate on local agencies or school districts. The amendment this

regulation does not impose a new mandate on the local agencies. These local agencies

were previously enforcing this regulation and the agricultural commissioners of Alameda,

Contra Costa, Humboldt, Marin, Lake, Monterey, Mendocino, Napa, San Mateo, San

Francisco, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano and Sonoma counties requested the

amendment of this regulation. Therefore, no reimbursement is required for Section 3700

under Section 17561 of the Government Code.

The Department also has determined that no savings or increased costs to any state

agency, no reimbursable costs or savings under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500)

of Division 4 of the Government Code to local agencies or school districts, no

nondiscretionary costs or savings to local agencies or school districts, and no costs or

savings in federal funding to the State will result from the proposed action.

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The cost impact of the changes in the regulations on a representative private person or business is not expected to be significantly adverse. The Department has also determined that this action will not have a significant adverse economic impact on housing costs or California businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

## <u>Assessment</u>

The Department has made an assessment that this amendment to the regulations would <u>not</u> (1) create or eliminate jobs within California, (2) create new business or eliminate existing businesses within California, or (3) affect the expansion of businesses currently doing business within California.

## **Alternatives Considered**

The Department of Food and Agriculture has determined that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action.